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Commissioner for Patents**Response to Amendment**

The reply filed on 12/16/2004 is not fully responsive to the prior Office Action because of the following omission(s) or matter(s): Newly submitted claims 55-60 are directed to an invention that is independent or distinct from the invention originally claimed. The invention is directed to various segments of HPV being fused together. The invention was previously restricted and Applicants made election without traverse (see Group II) in paper No. 10, mailed 3/15/2004, and Election Response of 4/26/2004. Now after the first Office Action Applicants have presented claims for the non-elected Group II for examination on the merits, this under See 37 CFR 1.142(b) and MPEP § 821.03 is not permitted. See 37 CFR 1.111. Since the above-mentioned reply appears to be bona fide, applicant is given ONE (1) MONTH or THIRTY (30) DAYS from the mailing date of this notice, whichever is longer, within which to supply the omission or correction in order to avoid abandonment. EXTENSIONS OF THIS TIME PERIOD MAY BE GRANTED UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a).

Conclusion

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to A. R. Salimi whose telephone number is (571) 272-0909. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday-Friday from 9:00 Am to 6:00 Pm.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, James Housel, can be reached on (571) 272-0902. The Official fax number is (703) 872-9306.

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